



# **The Jamaican Canadian Association**

**“The Hub for Community  
Engagement since 1962”**



# About the Jamaican

**The Jamaican Canadian Association (JCA)  
is a registered, charitable, non-profit  
organization, founded in 1962  
and is committed to improving  
the quality of life of the  
Jamaican, Caribbean and African Canadian  
communities and others in need.**

**The JCA is a membership  
and social service organization  
and is located at  
995 Arrow Road, Toronto.**

## **JCA'S SOCIAL SERVICES**

### **Employment**

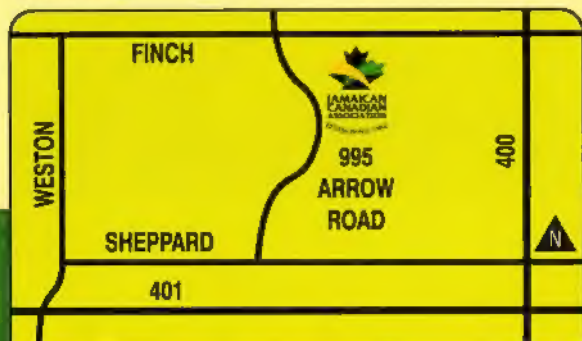
Our employment services assist job seekers with securing sustainable employment and achieving career goals. Services include client services planning and coordination, resource and information, job search, job matching and placement and job retention. We provide computers, internet access, photocopier, fax machine, videos and printed material related to job search.

### **Settlement**

This program is aimed at assisting newcomer clients who reside in Canada. Clients receive support and information on issues of employment, housing, education, family sponsorship and other related services.

### **Leaders in Partnership**

This is a 10-week social activity program in collaboration with the schools and Toronto Police 31 Division. The program is designed to address the social and emotional needs of children in developing a more positive attitude towards school and their community.



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## **K-Club**

The K-Club assists young men and women ages 16 to 26 of Caribbean and other Ethno-cultural heritage make the transition to a successful integration into family and community life.

Culturally-attuned staff combines individual counselling and group support to help prepare the youth for a successful future.

## **Parenting**

The Parenting Program provides individual support, family mediation, mobile crisis counselling, and crisis intervention to individuals and families. The program is also involved in referrals to community resources, dealing with custody issues, visitations, home assessments, family court parental assessments and advocacy.

## **Youth Outreach Worker**

This program is aimed at engaging and connecting youth between the ages of 12 to 21 with needed services and collaborates with other community resources within identified neighborhoods.

## **Violence Against Women**

This program provides support to women and children who are experiencing or have experienced domestic violence. The program assists women and children to live a life free from violence through individual, couple, group and crisis counselling, legal and parenting support. Safety planning and lifestyle management are also included in the program.

## **Caribbean Canadian Seniors Club**

The Caribbean Canadian Seniors Club (CCSC) is a program where members meet weekly on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The program offers interaction and a variety of activities for seniors.

## **Saturday Morning Tutorial**

The Saturday Morning Tutorial program (SMTP) is a weekly program supporting students from grades 1-12.





## **VOLUNTEER COMMITTEES**

The JCA has standing committees through which members volunteer their time and creativity towards cultural and social development in the community. Community chairpersons sit on the Board of Directors.

**Membership Committee** - Responsible for recruiting and maintaining contact with members. Organizes the children's Easter bun-and-cheese party, summer family picnic, children's Christmas party and seniors' dinner.

**Education and Cultural Committee** - Promotes educational and cultural activities, including Black History Month celebrations. Responsible for the Marcus Garvey Resource Library at the JCA Community Centre, the Saturday morning tutorial for children in Grades 1 to 9 and scholarship awards.

**Women's Committee** - Promotes the well-being of women in the Black Community. Plan International Women's Day celebrations, recognition ceremonies for women of achievement, health fairs and other awareness/educational events.

**Fundraising Committee** - Organize fundraising events and maintains donor records. Co-ordinates the annual walk-a-thon, care raffle, Mother's Day Brunch, Independence celebrations, and New Year's Eve dance.

**Public Relations Committee** - Publicizes the events and achievements of the Association and produces In Focus, the JCA quarterly newsletter.

**Building Committee** - Oversees the maintenance and operation of the JCA Community Centre, including the rental of the facilities for private and community functions.

**Youth Affairs Committee** - Recruits members aged 16-25. Plans programs and advocates on issues affecting youth's social, intellectual and personal development.

**Golf Committee** - The annual JCA Charity Golf Classic takes place at selected golf courses to raise funds for JCA programs and the building.

**For more information  
or to volunteer call  
(416) 746-5772.**



## **The Jamaican Canadian Association**

(JCA) is a registered charitable non-profit organization committed to identifying and responding to the needs of the Jamaican, Caribbean and African Canadian Communities. The JCA abides by a policy of non-discrimination and equity and our services are open to all.

### **Office Hours**

Mon to Fri 9:00 am to 4:30 pm  
Sat 9:00 am to 4:00 pm hall rental.

### **Membership**

Become a member of the JCA and discover the true meaning of community. There is an annual membership fee.

### **Facilities Rentals**

The JCA Community Centre may be rented for private and community functions. Please call for information on rates and availability.

### **Donations**

The JCA welcomes and appreciates individual, group and corporate donations to the building fund and to its programs and services.

Donations are accepted  
on our website.



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